



Press Release

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MUSEUM OF ALABAMA TO OFFER FREE, THEMED TOURS ON SECOND SATURDAYS BEGINNING JULY 12TH

Beginning **Saturday, July 12th**, the Museum of Alabama will offer **free**, themed tours of its all-new exhibits on the second Saturday of each month at **1pm**. Led by expert staff members, these tours will focus on a wide variety of Alabama history topics. This is a unique opportunity for visitors to ask questions and gain a deeper understanding of Alabama's story through the museum's Smithsonian-quality exhibitions.

- July 12th** **Small Town Alabama – John Hardin, Museum Content Coordinator**
Explore life in Alabama's small towns through the centuries in this tour of the museum's dioramas and displays.
- August 9th** **Stitched in Time – Ryan Blocker, Collections Curator**
What can the clothes we wear, the quilts we make, and other textiles tell us about history?
- Sept. 13th** **Alabama Celebrates – Shaelyn Amaio, Curator of Education**
From the Green Corn Ceremony to the Iron Bowl, from Mardi Gras to World's Fairs, learn how Alabamians mark special occasions.
- Oct. 11th** **Through a Child's Eyes – Sara Kunau, Hands-On Gallery Manager**
This special tour of our museum exhibits is designed for the young and young at heart.
- Nov. 8th** **Alabama & World War I – Graham Neeley, Collections Curator**
This Veteran's Day weekend, explore Alabama's participation in WWI, 100 years after the start of the conflict.
- Dec. 13th** **Alabama's Civil War Soldiers – Bob Bradley, Chief Curator**
Learn about Alabama during the Civil War and the life of a soldier. This tour will be followed by a period rifle firing demonstration.

No pre-registration for tours is required. The Museum of Alabama is located at the Alabama Department of Archives and History in downtown Montgomery, across the street from the State Capitol. The Archives and the Museum are open Monday – Saturday, 8:30 – 4:30 and the Research Room is open Tuesday – Friday and the second Saturday of the month from 8:30 – 4:30. **Admission is always free.** For more information call 334.242.4364 and visit www.museum.alabama.gov.

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